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Attorney Docket No. P04179US0

REMARKS**Overview**

Claims 84-91 are pending in this application. Claims 84-91 are new. Claims 35-36, 68-77, and 78-83 have been canceled. The present response is an earnest effort to place claims in proper form for allowance. Reconsideration and passage to issuance is respectfully requested.

Examiner Interview

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courtesy extended during the Examiner Interview of November 24, 2003. Present at the Examiner Interview was the Applicant, Dr. Peter V. Boesen, the undersigned counsel, Jeffrey D. Harty, and Supervisory Examiner Joseph Thomas. The software described in the pending application was demonstrated. It was discussed that a Request for Continuing Examination should be filed. It was also discussed that there should be a more clear recitation of a linking step involving the procedure code and diagnosis code. No agreement as to allowability was made.

New Claims

All previous claims have been canceled and new claims 84-91 have been added. Therefore, all previous rejections are moot. All new claims are supported by the specification as originally filed.

New claim 84 is supported at least by Figure 12 and page 21, line 10 to page 22, line 26. New claim 85 is further supported at least by Figure 1, 2A-2B, and page 20, lines 3-25. New claim 86 is further supported by Figure 12. New claim 87 is further supported by page 20, lines 13-19. New claim 88 is further supported by Figure 12. New claim 89 is further supported by page 16, line 29 to page 17, line 14. New claims 90 and 91 are supported by the same disclosure and also page 19, line 19 to page 20, line 2.

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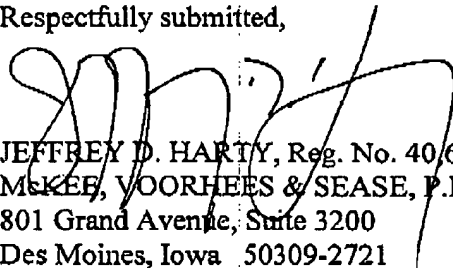
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Conclusion

Please charge Deposit Account No. 26-0084 the amount for filing a Request for Reconsideration and one-month extension of time to December 4, 2003. No other fees or extensions of time are believed to be due in connection with this amendment; however, consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 26-0084.

Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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